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Julius Genachowski, Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Sandwich Isles Communications, Inc. Petition for Waiver of 47 C.F.R. 54.302, WC Doc.
No. 10-96, WT Doc. No. 10-208

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

I write in support of Sandwich Isles Communications, Inc.'s (SIC) waiver request before the FCC. The Kapolei Community Development Corporation is a non-profit organization that is majority managed and owned by grass roots Hawaiian homestead volunteers purposed on fostering family and cultural preservation through education, healthcare and economic development. We are located in Kapolei, the island of Oahu. We rely on SIC providing affordable broadband access which is critical to ensuring we can keep costs down while providing the necessary services to beneficiaries on all islands.

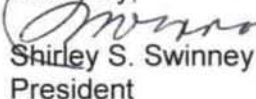
SIC has provided us with telecommunications service since our inception. Your continued support will ensure SIC investment in fiber optic infrastructure in our underserved communities continues. Once complete, SIC's robust and reliable statewide fiber optic network will expand broadband capabilities and provide affordable access for community anchor institutions, like ours. This will result in substantial benefits for the entire state, but especially our rural and remote communities, delivering improved education, healthcare, and economic development opportunities in a way only broadband can provide.

As Hawaii's only Rural Local Exchange Carrier (RLEC), SIC is the only carrier that has consistently demonstrated its commitment to ensuring Hawaii's rural and remote areas have access to broadband infrastructure. SIC has and will continue to provide broadband access in Hawaii's most rural and remote areas, squarely in line with the spirit and intent of Universal Service. We strongly believe the future broadband capabilities of our organization and our community hinge on SIC's ability to continue to fund critical infrastructure investments in our rural communities.

We are in full support of SIC's waiver request and look forward to the benefits adequate and affordable broadband access will provide.

We respectfully request your favorable consideration of SIC's waiver request to assist in the deployment of broadband in Hawaii's rural and remote communities.

Sincerely,


Shirley S. Swinney
President

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